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FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1975

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM ROBERT S. INGERSOLL

IN MY USC HAT, I CHAIRED A MEETING OF THE AMERICAN
CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE US-USSR COOPERATIVE TECHNICAL AGREE-
MENTS. THE GATHERING PROVIDED A USEFUL OPPORTUNITY
FOR BOTH AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON PROJECTS CONTEMPLATED
AND UNDERWAY, AND A REAFFIRMATION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF
THE AGREEMENTS AS AN ELEMENT OF DETENTE. I URGED THAT
WE ATTEMPT TO ASSURE THAT THE US BENEFIT FROM EACH
PACKAGE OF AGREEMENTS AND NOTED THE ADVANTAGES TO BE
DERIVED FROM MANAGEABLE R&D PROJECTS RATHER THAN THOSE
WHICH ARE MORE OPERATIONAL. KOSYGIN HAS SUGGESTED THAT
WE COOPERATE ON SEVERAL HIGH-VISIBILITY PROJECTS -- SUCH
AS A JOINT HOSPITAL AND MODEL FARM -- IN THE IMMEDIATE
FUTURE. AGRICULTURE BLANCHES AT THE LATTER SUGGESTION,
BUT EVEN THEY CONCEDE THAT THE AGREEMENTS HAVE BEEN
INTRINSICALLY WORTHWHILE. MONEY -- OR LACK OF IT -- TO

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FUND PROJECTS INEVITABLY CAME UP.

DR. KIRKWOOD, PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN BEIRUT, CALLED IN COMPANY WITH SOME OF HIS BOARD MEMBERS TO DISCUSS THE UNIVERSITY'S FISCAL PLIGHT OCCASIONED BY THE DISTURBANCES IN LEBANON. THEY ARE ALSO TALKING WITH AID (THE SOURCE OF ANY USG ASSISTANCE) AND THIS AFTERNOON MET WITH OMB. WE ARE TRYING TO BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE TO GET THEM THROUGH CURRENT DIFFICULTIES.

PHIL HABIB AND I HAD LUNCHEON WITH PAT SHAW, WHO EXPLAINED AT WHITLAM'S DECISION TO ABSTAIN ON THE HOSTI KOREAN RESOLUTION HAD ACTUALLY BEEN MADE BEFORE ANY APPROACH FROM PYONGYANG. PAT COULD OFFER NO EDIFICATION ON THE CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS IN AUSTRALIA, THOUGH HE EXPECTS ELECTIONS TO TAKE PLACE BY MID-DECEMBER.

AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA CAME IN TO REAFFIRM HIS GOVERNMENT'S GREAT INTEREST IN A USG CONTRIBUTION TO THE UN UNIVERSITY. I DISCUSSED OUR PROBLEMS RELATING TO BUDGETARY STRINGENCIES AND SUGGESTED THAT HE MIGHT DO A BIT OF LOBBYING ON THE HILL.

ALSO DURING THE DAY: FAREWELL RECEPTION OF THE SWISS AMBASSADOR AND DINNER WITH THE CYPRIOT AMBASSADOR.

,OMORROW: LUNCHEON WITH BILL CLEMENTS AND CALL BY SIR MICHAEL PALLISER.

FROM UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON

AFTER ATTENDING YOUR MEETING ON THE SUMMIT AND BOB INGERSOLL'S STAFF MEETING, DENT AND I MET AGAIN TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEM OF CHAIRMANSHIP AT THE OECD STEEL NEGOTIATIONS. WE AGREED ON A CO-CHAIRMANSHIP SHARED BY STR AND STATE, WITH STATE AS THE SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE. WE ALSO AGREED THAT STATE AND STR WOULD ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THE BROADER ISSUE OF OUR RESPECTIVE MANDATE IN THE TRADE AND COMMODITY FIELDS WHICH WILL REQUIRE A CAREFUL REVIEW ON OUR SIDE TO FULLY PROTECT STATE'S INTERESTS.

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PA FILMED A SERIES OF TELEPHONE INTERVIEWS ON THE SOVIET GRAIN/OIL AGREEMENTS FOR BROADCAST IN VARIOUS US CITIES. UPI DID A CLIP FOR USE OVERSEAS.

ALSO--MET WITH WALTER LEVY, HAD LUNCH WITH NAT SAMUELS AND ATTENDED A RECEPTION FOR THE EXECUTIVE-DIPLOMAT SEMINAR.

FROM T - CARLYLE E. MAW

ATTENDED BOB INGERSOLL'S STAFF MEETING.

WORKED ON LOS PERSONNEL MATTERS.

ACCOMPANIED BY ROY ATHERTON AND TOM STERN, I TESTIFIED BEFORE THE HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE ON THE FY 1976 SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. WE RECEIVED SOME TOUGH QUESTIONING ON THE MIDDLE EAST COMPONENT OF THE PROGRAM, ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AND ON ZAIRE. IT IS EVIDENT THAT THEY INTEND TO RECOMMEND SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTIONS IN OUR PROPOSED FUNDING LEVEL. IN ADDITION, CONGRESSMAN ZABLOCKI INDICATED THE COMMITTEE IS CONSIDERING LEGISLATION THAT WOULD TERMINATE GRANT MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS BY SEPTEMBER 30, 1977, AS WELL AS PHASE-OUT OUR MILITARY ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUPS BY THE SAME DATE.

TALKED WITH TOM CLINGAN, WHO HAS AGREED TO COME BACK TO CONDUCT THE US-ROMANIA BILATERAL FISHERIES NEGOTIATIONS BEGINNING TOMORROW, ABOUT LOS AND FISHERIES MATTERS. THESE NEGOTIATIONS ARE NOT NEARLY AS SIGNIFICANT AS THE US-POLAND NEGOTIATIONS WHICH WILL BE COMING UP IN DECEMBER BUT, AS ONE OF THE FIRST BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS SINCE WE ANNOUNCED OUR INTENTION TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENTS AS A TRANSITION TO A 200-MILE ZONE, WILL GIVE US AN INDICATION OF THE SUCCESS WE MAY EXPECT IN LATER NEGOTIATIONS.

CONFERENCE WITH NAT DAVIS AND ERNST KOBER (CHIEF COUNSEL CIBA-GEIGY) REGARDING SWISS BUSINESS MATTERS. INGERSOLL
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